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## A Statement from Ron P. Raman, Chief of Police San Pablo Police Department

**June 6, 2020** - We have witnessed the expressions of pain and outrage in cities across the country and right here in the Bay Area. Even though it occurred in a city and state almost 2,000 miles away, the death of George Floyd deserves the attention of law enforcement officers in every corner of the country.

Effective policing and protection of the innocent simply does not work without the trust of the public. And, the Minneapolis Police Department officer's actions resulting in the death of George Floyd has, with many, damaged that trust to the core.

As Chief of the San Pablo Police Department, I can say we stand with our community and others across the nation who are rightly disturbed by Mr. Floyd's death. Police brutality has no place in our profession, and I wholeheartedly condemn it. I recognize the need for change and I will continue to push our department forward when it comes to best practices in policing. We hear and appreciate all of you and as a part of your community we are here for you.



All use of force incidents are reviewed up through the chain of command to ensure best practices, policy compliance, and to identify training issues. Additionally, the San Pablo Police Department has a robust body worn camera program/policy to ensure transparency and capture performance of our staff. Our departmental policies are available and posted on our City Police Department website for the public to review.



We can only heal this deep wound by keeping an open dialogue with all members of our community and continuing our efforts to ensure that all are treated equally under the law. I am proud to be a police officer in this community and stand with the women and men who have taken an oath to serve and protect this great City. #SanPabloStrong

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